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Historical Notes and Queries.

NOTE.—In the notice of the Harris Genealogy, Vol. I, page 359, it should have been stated that the pamphlet was prepared at the instance of Mrs. Anna Harris O'Fallon, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Van Voast.

ERRATUM.—In the present number of the Magazine, the parenthesis on page 304, beginning with the word "From," should end with the word "success."

In Vol. I, page 424, the name of the wife of Col. John West, Jr., should be Unity instead of Ursula Croshaw.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

We publish by request the Act of Incorporation of the Virginia Historical Society which, as will be seen, was incorporated as the Historical and Philosophical Society. It was passed March 10, 1834:

"Whereas, sundry citizens of this Commonwealth have formed themselves into a society by the name and title of the "Virginia Historical and Philosophical Society," the objects of which, as declared in the second Article of the Constitution adopted by the said Society, are to discover, procure and preserve whatever may relate to the natural, civil and literary history of this State, and to patronize and advance all those sciences which have a direct tendency to promote the best interests of our citizens; and whereas, it is represented to the General Assembly that the members of the said Society are desirous of obtaining a charter of incorporation—

1. *Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly*, That the members of the aforesaid Society, together with such others as they shall hereafter associate with them, and their successors, are hereby constituted, ordained and created a body corporate, and politic, by the name of "THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in law as a body corporate, to have, hold, and enjoy goods, chattels, lands and tenements, and the same at all times may dispose of in their discretion. The said Society may have a common seal, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; and may do, act and transact all matters and things whatsoever, proper for bodies corporate to do, act and transact; and may establish and enact such a constitution and such by-laws, rules and regulations as shall be deemed necessary and expedient, and which shall not be repugnant to the laws of this State, or of the United States.

2. *Be it further enacted*, That the said corporation be further author-